

**SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY
GRANT APPLICATION**

Project Name: Bell Creek Riverfront Natural Park	Amount of Request: \$ 50,000 Total Project Cost: \$ 90,000		
Applicant Name: Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority	Amount of Match: \$ 40,000 Source of Match: Proposition A, Big 5 River Parkway Excess Funds		
Applicant Address: 570 West Avenue 26, Suite 100 Los Angeles, California 90065	Project Address: Sale Avenue		
	County	Senate District	Assembly District
	Los Angeles	23	40
Phone: 323-221-9944 Fax: 323-221-9934	Email: Edelman@smmc.ca.gov		
Grantee's Authorized Representative: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 60%;"> Cara McLane, Contracts Officer <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/> <i>Name and Title</i> </div> <div style="width: 35%; text-align: right;"> 323-221-9944, x117 <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/> <i>Phone</i> </div> </div>			
Person with day-to-day responsibility for project: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 60%;"> Paul Edelman, Chief of Natural Resources and Planning <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/> <i>Name and Title</i> </div> <div style="width: 35%; text-align: right;"> 310-589-3230, x128 <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/> <i>Phone</i> </div> </div>			
Brief Scope of Work (60 words maximum): Develop a natural park on a 15,000-square-foot-lot along the southern side of Bell Creek channel just west of its confluence with Chatsworth Creek. Public access will be via Sale Avenue. Park elements to include a loop trail, observation area, and irrigated native plants. Construction will complement existing and future uses of the adjacent Los Angeles County Flood Control Right-of-way.			
Funding Source Applied for: Proposition 50, Los Angeles River Watershed			
Narrative/Project Description: <p>The grant would fund the MRCA's improvement, enhancement, and restoration of park, wildlife or natural area resources within the subject lot soon to be owned by the MRCA. The project is therefore consistent with Chapter 10, Section 79570(c) of the Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 50). All of the project activities would be in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act. A Categorical Exemption was filed on September 19, 2005 with the State Clearinghouse.</p> <p>The park design would maximize the habitat value of the site and provide a loop trail and observation area. Excellent public parking and access is available on and from adjacent neighborhood streets. The applicant of the tract has graciously agreed to provide a water meter at the park entrance and to construct an attractive fence to close the park during night hours. This natural park will serve the nearby neighborhood groups visiting Shadow Ranch Park, the Kadima University, and the West Valley Jewish Community Center, all of which are within a five-minute walk from the site. All plants will be native and irrigated for at least five years. Other sources of funding include Proposition A Big Five River Parkway Excess funds and contributions from the Kadima Academy. The MRCA is also submitting an application in October 2005 for Proposition 50 Chapter 5 River Parkway funds. Those additional funds would be used for enhanced planting, paths, interpretive displays, and soil improvements. The MRCA is also applying for a Proposition</p>			


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50 Chapter 5 River Parkway grant to further enhance the park. The MRCA will maintain the park using Proposition A operations and maintenance funding.

Tasks / Milestones:	Budget:	Completion Date
1 Final Project Design and Construction Drawings	\$ 8,000	May 30, 2006
2 Grading	\$10,000	September 30, 2006
3 Pathway, Irrigation, Plantings, Site Amenities	\$67,000	November 30, 2006
4 Grant Administration	\$5,000	December 30, 2006

Acquisition Projects:	APN(s):	N/A
	Acreage:	N/A

I certify that the information contained in this Grant Application form, including required attachments, is accurate.


Signature of Authorized Representative

9/20/05
Date

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